the lease upon our Landlord?" "but he ought to be willing to share the loss." "What right have we to manage the business of the Society upon any other than the usual business principles, when, as in this case, they are those of justice?" "But we should be magnanimous." "Not at other people's expense, or against their will, in the management of what is theirs as much as ours." "Would you submit it to arbitration? Not if it was solely our own business, but as being also that of others, I am willing to conduct it on the principles (if they are not wicked) on which they act." "Ah..! This is the most powerful argument against Societies — that men act in them on different principles from those that they would adopt as individuals." "Henceforth then, there can be nothing done by proxy, because sometimes a doubtful case of casuistry arises. Is it any thing against Social life, for the argument must go all that length, through every possible, even a paradisiacal arrangement of society, that accommodates the alternative views of

either fulfilling its behests, or resigning its offices? It is simply an argument against God, in the last analysis."

C. C. C. C. = But they return us the Store, & it was referred to arbitration, but it was a rich scene.

I have not been able to thrust in half the points that presented. "Corporations have no Souls" was much insisted on. "No more has this table - but it's a very useful continuance nonetheless, and a perfectly justifiable one, however we may all Rant on for by setting round it too constantly." Dont forget the Bell. It is but a trifle, but it does good.

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P.S. It is not the same Store in which that [illegible] have the room without business but with the rent?

leave the room, what business have we with the rent?" "It is not the same

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